From:

Richard Loncarovich

To:

Victor Izzo

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Jeff Huggins; Michael Hoffman; Rick Moss; Robert Busby

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Subject:

Re: Walker Mine Responsible Party Search (Ancandona, ARCO)

I do not have a problem with the proposed expenditure. There is a problem with our timing. The last day for expenditures is tomorrow which does not give us enough time to get SB approval and pay for the service. We will have to wait until a new budget is passed. When that will happen I am not sure but once it does happen Jeff can work with Michael Hoffman to get this ordered.

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>>> Victor Izzo 6/15/2011 8:50 AM >>>

Hi Richard

Attached is memo explaining why we need to spend some of the CAO account money approved for this project to research Anaconda (ARCO) relationship with Walker Mine. We are finishing up our search and are preparing to hand the case over to the Office of Enforcement to name ARCO as a responsible party. If this is successful, we will no longer be operator of the site and will become the regulator again. If you want to know more about the Anaconda Document Collection go to the following website: http://ahc.uwyo.edu/about/departments/anaconda/default.htm.

If you concur with us proceeding, please tell us what would be the next step to subscribe for one year. Rick, Rob - Do you have any questions?

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